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SUBJECT: US/MOROCCAN COOPERATION IN ENERGY DEVELOPMENT: FOLLOW-UP
REQUEST CONCERNING STATUS OF ANNEX I OF USGS/MOROCCAN
GEOLOGICAL SERVICE TECHNICAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT

DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS USGS FOR REINEMUND

DEPARTMENT ALSO FOR AID

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REF: (A) STATE 94270, (B) STATE 133533, (C) RABAT 5238

1. DURING RECENT FOLLOW-UP CONVERSATION WITH MINISTRY
OF ENERGY AND MINES SEC GEN TAIEB SKALLI ON PROGRAM
TO IMPLEMENT US MOROCCAN COOPERATION IN ENERGY
DEVELOPMENT, E/C COUNSELOR RAISED QUESTION OF
MOUSSA SAADI'S PREVIOUSLY REPORTED DESIRE TO EXPAND
SCOPE OF BILATERAL AGREEMENT WHICH MINISTRY SIGNED
WITH USGS REPS OCTOBER 1977. SKALLI PROFESSED
IGNORANCE ABOUT SAADI'S PROPOSAL, AGREED PERSONALLY
WITH REF A VIEW THAT EXISTING AGREEMENT WAS
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SUFFICIENTLY FLEXIBLE TO PERMIT PERIODIC EXTENSIONS
IN COVERAGE BY MEANS OF ADDITIONAL PROTOCOLS, BUT
PROMISED TO CHECK INTO REASONING BEHIND SAADI'S
REMARK.

2. SKALLI TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO POINT OUT THAT DRAFT

OF ANNEX I WHICH MINISTRY HAD SENT TO USGS VIA
USAID WOOD-REINEMUND LETTER OF JANUARY 24, 1978,
WAS STILL UNSIGNED AND WONDERED WHAT REASON FOR
DELAY MIGHT BE. HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT MINISTRY'S
GEOLOGICAL DIVISION (HEADED BY E.A. HILALI) WAS
ANXIOUSLY AWAITING DELIVERY OF LANDSAT PHOTOGRAPHYX
ON SAHARAN PROVINCES AT 1/250,000, AND TOTALITY OF
MOROCCO AT 1/500/000, BOTH OF WHICH (IN SETS OF TWO
COPIES EACH) WERE PROVIDED FOR IN ANNEX I TO
AGREEMENT. E/C COUNSELOR PROMISED TO QUERY USGS
AND DETERMINE FACTS. WOULD APPRECIATE ADVICE ON
THIS ISSUE AS WELL AS STATUS OF OTHER PROPOSED
UNDERTAKINGS SPCIFIED IN SUBJECT ANNEX.
3. RE: REFTEL (C) ACTIVITIES IN REMOTE SENSING, IF
USAID PARTICIPATION IS TO FOLLOW, MUST BE
WITHIN CURRENT COUNTRY PROGRAM STRATEGY I.E.
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